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1. The present production of the five large carbide furnaces now in operation at the electro-chemical plant in Chorzow (Katowice) (Y57), in Polish Silesia, is equal to that of the six furnaces operating there before World War II. This increase is due to the putting in commission of one of the largest furnaces in Poland, which consumes very little more than an ordinary furnace but doubles the output. It turns out about 100 tons of carbide daily.
2. Comparatively little of the carbide produced at Chorzow is put directly on the market, as the bulk is used in the manufacture of fertilizers. Record production of artificial fertilizers for one day in February 1947 was 1,068 tons.
3. The Chorzow plants also produce saltpeter, calcium compounds, and the ammonium saltpeter used in the production of explosives.
4. The present total production of Chorzow is said to be equal to that of the combined pre-war production of Chorzow and Moscice. Comment: Mossiska [Przemsyl] is probably meant here.)

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